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Claims 5-11 and 13 are now in this Application, and are presented for the Examiner's consideration.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 13 was allowed.

The remaining claims now in the application, namely, claims 5-11, have been amended to depend from claim 13.

Therefore, all of the remaining claims now depend from allowed claim 13.

It is therefore submitted that all of the claims now in the application are in condition for allowance.

Prior Art Rejection

Claims 1 and 4-12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) or, in the alternative, as being obvious under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 4,762,124 to Kerch et al.

Claims 1, 4 and 12 have been canceled, and the remaining claims 5-11 have been amended to depend from allowed claim 13.

It is therefore respectfully submitted that the rejection of claims 1 and 4-12 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) or 35 U.S.C. §103(a) has been rendered moot, and thereby, overcome.

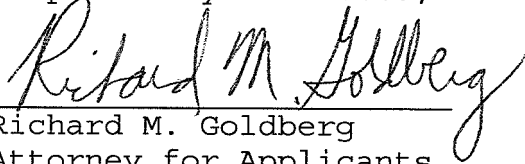
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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 5-11 and 13 are allowable, and early and favorable consideration thereof is solicited.

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